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Dear Mr. Annunzio:

Thank you for your letter of [illegible] Caucus [illegible] the current status of opposition [illegible]

President Reagan welcomed President [illegible] of a common [illegible] with [illegible] allied [illegible] U.S. Our [illegible] is a fundamental element of our [illegible] and our presence there serves [illegible] the maintenance of peace and the [illegible]

As you know, we welcomed President [illegible] commute the death sentence against Mr. [illegible] of the sentences given Mr. Kim's co-[illegible] martial law and press censorship were [illegible] those purged from employment in government, [illegible] press circles during the turmoil last year were [illegible] eligible to return to their professions. While much remains to be done, we are hopeful that these actions presage further moderation in the future.

We are pleased by the spirit of reconciliation embodied in these actions already taken and believe that such [illegible] actions will contribute positively to strengthening relations between the Republic of Korea and the United States.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable
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